IN THE DRAWINGS

The attached sheets of drawings include changes to Figs. 1, 13, 19, 20, 37, and 148. These sheets, which include Figs. 1, 13, 19, 20, 37, and 148, replace the original sheets including Figs. 1, 13, 19, 20, 37, and 148.

Attachment: Replacement Sheets

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Favorable consideration of this application, as presently amended, is respectfully requested.

The specification is amended by the present response to make minor clarifications therein. A new Abstract believed to be in more proper format under United States practice is also submitted. The changes to the specification and Abstract are not believed to raise any issues of new matter.

Claims 1-30 are canceled without prejudice and new claims 31-68 are presented for examination. New claims 31-68 are deemed to be self-evident from the original disclosure, including the original claims, and thus are not deemed to raise any issues of new matter.

Replacement Figures 1, 13, 19, 20, 37, and 148 are also submitted herein.

Replacement Figure 1 corresponds to original Figure 1 except it deletes certain lines so that the text is more readable. Replacement Figure 13 now includes lead lines for elements 66a, 64, and 66c. Replacement Figure 19 now more properly shows the arrows at elements 3, 4. Replacement Figure 20 now includes a proper lead line for element 65. Replacement Figure 37 now more properly labels elements 241a, 241b. Replacement Figure 148 now includes a proper lead line for element 64.

The changes in the replacement figures are not believed to raise any issues of new matter.

The present application is believed to be in condition for a full and thorough examination on the merits. An early and favorable consideration of the present application is hereby respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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